(b) what are the categories of persons eligible for allotment of DDA flats; (i) in the normal course; (ii) on out-of-turn basis; and

(c) whether any percentage of DDA flats have been earmarked for allotment to DDA employees and if so, on what basis such allotments had been made during the past 3 years?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) and (b) In the normal course, flats are allotted by the DDA to those persons who are already registered with it under various housing schemes. Vice-Chairman/Chairman of DDA have also been authorised to allot upto a maximum of 2½% of the total number of flats allotted during a year on out-of-turn basis in cases of extreme compassion & hardship and to outstanding sportsmen, defence personnel who have won gallantary awards, and other persons who have performed distinguished services in various fields of national life.

(c) No, Sir.

DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: How many flats have been allotted on out-of-turn basis during the last 10 years?

SHRI MURASOLI MARAN: I do not have figures for the last 10 years but I do have figures for the last 4 years. Out of 56437 flats 815 flats were allotted under this out-of-turn category.

DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: What is the policy with regard to the allotment of flats on compassionate grounds?

SHRI MURASOLI MARAN: Sir, this out-of-turn allotment has got a history. It started in the year 1970. The Baweja Inter-ministerial Committee which went into the working of the DDA condemned this out-of-turn allotment system. The Public Accounts Committee in its 18th Report submitted in the year 1980-81 also said that this out-of-turn quota system was not good. They also condemned it. But this quota system started in 1982 with a limitation of ½ per cent. Before 1982 there was no limitation. In 1984 it was increased to 1½ per cent and in 1985 it has been increased to 2½ per cent. We have to examine it from all angles.

SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA: Sir, under the out-of-turn quota system there is a provision that women, particularly those in distress, widows and separated women, would get certain percentage. I would like to know whether this would continue or whether he intends to discontinue the special quota which has been introduced for women because accommodation is a big problem which they are facing...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Estimated Work done on the Konkan Railway Line from Mangalore to Udupi

*6. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the extent of work completed on the Konkan Railway line from Mangalore to Udupi as on 30th June, 1989;

(b) whether the above work was completed only at proportionate cost; and

(c) if so, the details of the estimated escalation in the cost of the project?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) and (b) Preparation of detailed land plans and land acquisition proceedings are in progress from both Mangalore

and Udupi ends. Land acquisition proposals for a length of 7 km were submitted to the State Government and a length of 1.33 Km. at Mangalore and has been taken over by the Railway.

(c) There is no escalation in the cost of the project at this present point of time.

Discontinuation of Madras-Pondicherry Express

*7. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Madras-Pondicherry Express which was started in 1983 was discontinued in 1986; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to restore the Madras-Pondicherry Express in the near future?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) The Express train between Madras and Pondicherry, introduced on 15.12.1976, was cancelled from 1.4.1986.

(b) No, Sir.

मंडल आयोग की सिफारिशों का कियान्वयन

*8. श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय : क्या कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) पिछड़े वर्गों के लिये नियुक्त किये गये मंडल आयोग की सिफारिशों को लागू करने में क्या कठिनाईयां हैं ; और

(ख) इन सिफारिशों को सरकार द्वारा कब तक लागू किये जाने की संभावना है ?

श्रम और कल्याण मंत्री (श्री राम विलास पासवान) : (क) तथा (ख) पिछली सरकार द्वारा मंडल आयोग की रिपोर्ट की जांच की जा रही थी। उनका मत था कि जब तक राष्ट्रीय स्तर पर मतैक्य नहीं हो जाता है, तब तक यथास्थिति बनाई रखी जानी चाहिये। सरकार, मंडल आयोग की रिपोर्ट में निहित सिफारिशों पर समुचित कार्रवाई करने के लिये प्रतिबद्ध है। यह सरकार के विचाराधीन है।

Recommendations of the National Commission on Urbanisation

*9. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Commission on Urbanisation which was set up by Government at the end of 1985 have since submitted its report to Government;

(b) if so, when was the report submitted;

(c) what are the major recommendations made by the Commission;

(d) whether the report has been examined by Government if so, what are the decisions taken by Government thereon and whether the recommendations of the Commission are proposed to be incorporated in the Eighth Plan for implementation; and

(e) what are the reasons for delay in taking decisions on the report, in case the report of the Commission is still under examination?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) to (e) The National Commission on Urbanisation (NCU) was constituted in October, 1985 to examine the state of urbanisation in the country, identify priority action areas and formulate specific guidelines for Action Plan for managing the rapid urbanisation. It submitted its report to the Government on 19th August, 1988.